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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

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Chaloner-Gill et al.

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Application No.: 09/845,985

Examiner: M. Ruthkosky

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Group Art Unit: 1745

For: PHOSPHATE POWDER COMPOSITIONS AND METHODS FOR FORMING PARTICLES
WITH COMPLEX ANIONS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE
UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), an extension of time of two (2) months (from July 17, 2003 to September 17, 2003) within which to respond to the Office Action dated April 17, 2003 is requested. A check in the amount of \$205.00 is enclosed herewith to cover the extension fee. Applicants are entitled to small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR 1.27. The Commissioner is authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 16-0631 any underpayments, overpayments or additionally required fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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